

Springerville Town Council
Minutes
September 6, 2006

Present: Vice Mayor Mary Nedrow, Council members Mark Baca, Pete Hunt and Phelps Wilkins

Absent: Mayor Kay Dyson excused.

Staff: Scott Garms Town Manager, Val Cordova Town Clerk, Tim Shaffery and Eduardo Coronado TBS Law, Larisa Bogardus Community Dev., James Hamblin Finance Dir, Max Sadler Fire Chief, Steve West Police Chief, Tom Malone Public Works Dir., and Sharon Pinckard Community Services.

Public: Audra Sloane Chamber Dir., Kevin Burk, Dana and Ross Overson Jr., Brian Martin, Elizabeth James, Rebecca Bose and Judy Hayes WMI.

1. Vice Mayor Nedrow called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with a quorum and announced that Mayor Dyson would not be here tonight.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Vice Mayor, Invocation by Councilman Hunt.
3. Public Participation: Brian Martin presented a 3rd quarter report for the Springerville Airport.
4. Community Development Block Grant public hearing:

Mark Baca/Pete Hunt motion to go into public hearing for CDBG.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Mark Baca
		Pete Hunt
		Phelps Wilkins

Ms. Dana Overson announced that Springerville is eligible for \$200,000 this round. She explained that in order to have projects considered they have to be mentioned during the public hearing. She also cautioned that there are three national objectives that have to be met to be eligible for funding; 51% must be low to moderate income, the project must aid in the prevention of slums or blight, or aid in ADA compliance for public services.

Chief West suggested that the north side of the police department building be considered for ADA ramps to replace the stair well. He also suggested the ramp in front of the old school building that currently does not meet ADA standards.

Councilman Wilkins recommended the restrooms, ADA accessibility both in front and back, ingress, egress and parking for the old historic school as well as the hallways.

Sharon Pinckard said that the kitchen of the senior center needed renovation. The walls and ceilings were in need of repair and the electrical and plumbing needed to be updated as well as the heating.

Val Cordova asked if the fire department building could be considered for ADA compliance as it is used as the polling place during elections.

Ms. Overson explained that ADA retrofits were eligible for all public buildings including housing rehab suggested by Vice Mayor Nedrow. She explained about other programs available for people on fixed incomes.

Pete Hunt/Mark Baca motion to go out of public hearing.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Mark Baca
		Pete Hunt
		Phelps Wilkins

5. Consent Items:

- A. Minutes: August 2, 2006
- B. Special Per Diem request for Mayor Dyson, attendance at ADWR Statewide meeting.
- C. Special Per Diem request for Mayor Dyson, attendance at Governor's Rural Dev. Conference.
- D. Special Per Diem request for Councilman Wilkins, attendance at AZ League of Cities & Towns
- E. Personnel Policy Change to Section 3.6 (Compensatory Time).
- F. Memorandum of Understanding with the Town of Eagar for joint council meetings.

Pete Hunt/Mark Baca motion to approve consent items 5 -A through 5- F

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Mark Baca
		Pete Hunt
		Phelps Wilkins

6. Ordinance 2006-009: Discussion, second reading, and action regarding ordinance #2006-009 amending Title 16 "Subdivisions" of the Springerville Municipal Code.

Second reading by Vice Mayor Nedrow: An ordinance of the Town of Springerville, Arizona, amending Title 16 "Subdivisions" of the Springerville Municipal Code and designating an effective date:

Pete Hunt/Phelps Wilkins motion to adopt Ordinance 2006-009 amending Chapter 16 Subdivisions" of the Springerville Municipal Code.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Mark Baca
		Pete Hunt
		Phelps Wilkins

7. Tourism Tax Committee Funding Request: Discussion and action regarding a funding request to the Tourism Tax Committee for Heritage Celebration Day.

Chamber Director Audra Sloane explained that the Daughters of the American Revolution were going to be rededicating the Madonna of the Trail on September during Heritage Celebration Day on September 22nd as well as other events taking place on that day. She said that this request is to pay for the luncheon for the expenses incurred for the event.

James Hamblin advised the council that the request had been approved by the Tourism Tax Committee pending approval by the town council.

Mark Baca/Pete Hunt motion to approve the request as presented.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Mark Baca
		Pete Hunt

Phelps Wilkins

8. Children & Family Alliance: Presentation and update by Elizabeth James regarding a school readiness grant.

Ms. James briefly updated on the readiness grant they had been awarded. She said they would like to have more public involvement and partnership building from the community and make them aware that they are here and will have monthly meetings rotating with St. Johns and Concho. Ms. James also said that the Governor would be coming to present them with an award but did not have a time or date.

9. Ordinance 2006-010: Discussion and action regarding ordinance #2006-010 amending Title 13 "Public Services" of the Springerville Municipal Code and declaring an emergency.

First reading by Vice Mayor Nedrow: An Ordinance of the Town of Springerville, Arizona, Amending Title 13 "Public Services of the Springerville Municipal Code and Declaring an Emergency:

Ms. Bogardus advised the council that they had an amended copy before them with a minor change from the one they had received in their packets.

Mr. Shaffery explained that he had to wait on some research with ADEQ.

Ms. Bogardus explained that one of the directives given at a previous meeting was not to allow services outside of the city limits, however ADEQ mandates that if a dwelling is within 400 feet of a line they have to hook up to city services. The town can add to that they would have to annex in to have those services.

Pete Hunt/Mark Baca to adopt Ordinance 2006-010 with the new amendments and declaring an emergency.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Mark Baca
		Pete Hunt
		Phelps Wilkins

- 10: Master Plan Update: Discussion and action/direction regarding the Town of Springerville master plan and the Growing Smarter grant.

Ms. Bogardus announced that the Town had received the Growing Smarter grant unfortunately it was reduced by 30%. She explained that we are mandated to request competitive proposals which has already been done but felt that the bids would come in higher than the money allocated for the master plan. She said there are two options, one is to allocate more money to make up the 30% or they can contract directly with the provided for a set fee of \$19,900. She has talked to the Tejido Group at University of Arizona. They are a graduate school for landscape planning and architecture giving them planning experience.

She explained that the University of Arizona does not do competitive bidding they would contract directly for \$19,900.

The council said that they did not want to supplement the bid and agreed that they would like to contract out for the \$19,900.

Mr. Garms said they would bring the bids to council for a decision.

11. Resolution #2006-R013: Discussion and action regarding resolution # 2006-R013 amending the fee schedule as required or allowed by the town code to update fees and establish new ones.

A Resolution of the Mayor and the Common Council of the Town of Springerville, Arizona amending the fee schedule as required or allowed by the Town Code to update fees and establish new ones read by Vice Mayor Nedrow.

Phelps Wilkins/Pete Hunt motion to adopt resolution 2006-013.

Councilman Baca questioned the fees for water service turn ons and turn offs. He felt that these fees were excessive for services during working hours.

The finance director explained that we are only recouping fees that it cost the town to have an employee pulled off of a job to turn a service on or off.

He also explained that we have part time people that come and go and use the town to turn it on and off to save having to pay the monthly fee. We also have people that move into town pay a small deposit, don't pay their bill and move on leaving the town with an amount owed on their water bill exceeding their deposit.

Mr. Malone explained that residents are required to have their own shut off valves.

In response to Councilman Baca's concerns, Mr. Hamblin explained that people on fixed incomes who have problems with their water bills due to plumbing problems could come in and talk to the town manager.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Mark Baca
		Pete Hunt
		Phelps Wilkins

12. Adjournment:

Pete Hunt/Mark Baca motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Mark Baca
		Pete Hunt
		Phelps Wilkins

Vice Mayor Mary Nedrow

ATTEST:

Town Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Springerville Town Council in regular session on Wednesday September 6, 2006. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Dated this 8th day of September 2006

Town Clerk